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- (Currently Amended) A method of controlling a player station adapted to display gaming
 results associated with a game ticket where the game ticket includes a number of game
 play outcomes, the method including the steps of:
- (a) detecting whether a the game ticket inserted at the player station includes a cover;
 - (b) disabling the player station from displaying the gaming results associated with the game ticket in the event that the step of detecting whether the game ticket includes the cover indicates that the cover is present on the game ticket; and
 - displaying the gaming results associated with the game ticket at the player station
 in the event that the step of detecting whether the game ticket includes the cover
 indicates that the cover is not present on the game ticket, where displaying the
 gaming results associated with the game ticket includes individually displaying
 each game play outcome of the number of game play outcomes.

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(Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of detecting whether the game ticket includes the cover includes producing a cover sensor output at a cover sensor.

3. (Original) The method of Claim 2 wherein the step of detecting whether the game ticket includes the cover includes determining an orientation of the game ticket in the player station, and further including the step of producing a ticket misorientation notification in

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the event the step of determining the orientation of the game ticket in the player station indicates that the game ticket has not been inserted properly. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 3 further including the step of enabling the player station to display gaming results associated with the game ticket in the event that the step of detecting whether the game ticket includes the cover indicates that the cover is absent displaying the gaming results associated with the game ticket at the player station if the step of determining the orientation of the game ticket in the player station indicates that the game ticket has been inserted properly. 10 11 (Original) The method of Claim 3 wherein the step of determining the orientation of the 12 game ticket in the player station includes producing an orientation sensor output. 13 (Original) The method of Claim 2 wherein the cover sensor is an optical sensor. 14 15 7. (Original) The method of Claim 2 wherein the cover sensor is a magnetic sensor. 16 17 (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of detecting whether the game ticket 18 8. includes the cover includes the step of attempting to detect a feature located on the cover. 19 20 21 9. (Original) The method of Claim 1 wherein the step of detecting whether the game ticket

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includes the cover includes the step of attempting to detect a feature located on a substrate

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of the game ticket. 1 2 (Currently Amended) An apparatus for controlling the operation of a gaming system 10. 3 player station for displaying gaming results associated with a game ticket where the game ticket includes a number of game play outcomes, the apparatus including: a cover sensor associated with a game ticket reader on the player station, the cover (a) sensor producing a cover sensor output; and a processor coupled to the cover sensor for (i) disabling the player station from (b) displaying gaming results associated with the game ticket when the cover sensor output indicates the presence of the a cover on the game ticket and for (ii) 10 displaying the gaming results associated with the game ticket at the player station 11 in the event that the step of determining whether the game ticket includes the 12 cover indicates that the cover is not present on the game ticket, where displaying 13 the gaming results associated with the game ticket includes individually 14 displaying each game play outcome of the number of game play outcomes. 15 16 (Original) The apparatus of Claim 10 further including an orientation sensor coupled to 11. 17 the processor, the orientation sensor being operable to produce an orientation output 18 indicative of an orientation of the game ticket in the game ticket reader. 19 20 (Currently Amended) The apparatus of Claim 11 wherein the processor enables the player 12. 21 station to display gaming results when the cover sensor output indicates an absence of the 22

· 1 cover and displays the gaming results associated with the game ticket at the player station 2 when the orientation output indicates that the game ticket has been inserted properly in 3 the game ticket receiver reader. 5 13. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 10 wherein the cover sensor is an optical sensor. 6 7 14. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 10 wherein the cover sensor is a magnetic sensor. 8 9 15. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 10 wherein the cover sensor is operable for detecting a 10 feature located on the cover. 11 12 16. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 10 wherein the cover sensor is operable for detecting a 13 feature located on a substrate of the game ticket. 14 15 17. (Currently Amended) A program product for use in controlling a player station adapted to 16 display gaming results associated with a game ticket where the game ticket includes a 17 number of game play outcomes, the program product being stored on a computer readable 18 medium and including: 19 (a) cover sensor reading code for reading a cover sensor output from a cover sensor 20 associated with a game ticket receiver reader on the player station; and 21 **(b)** player station control code for (i) disabling the player station from displaying the gaming results associated with the game ticket when the cover sensor output 22

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indicates that the cover is present on the game ticket and also for (ii) displaying the gaming results associated with the game ticket at the player station in the 2 event that the step of determining whether the game ticket includes the cover indicates that the cover is not present on the game ticket, where displaying the gaming results associated with the game ticket includes individually displaying each game play outcome of the number of game play outcomes. (Currently Amended) The program product of Claim 17 further including orientation 8 18. sensor reading code for reading an orientation sensor output from an orientation sensor associated with the game ticket receiver reader. 10 11 (Currently Amended) The program product of Claim 18 wherein the player station control 19. 12 code is operable for enabling the player station to display the results associated with the 13 game ticket when the cover sensor output indicates an absence of the cover and 14 displaying the gaming results associated with the game ticket at the player station when 15 the orientation sensor output indicates that the game ticket has been inserted properly in 16 the game ticket receiver reader. 17 18 (Original) The program product of Claim 17 wherein the cover sensor output comprises a 19 20. signal residing at either a first signal level or a second signal level. 20 21 (Currently Amended) The program product of Claim 17 18 wherein the orientation sensor 21. 22

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1 output comprises a signal residing at either a first signal level or a second signal level.

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(Currently Amended) The program product of Claim 17 further including orientation
 sensor processing code for deriving the an orientation sensor output from a set of data
 read from the game ticket.